

WJZ-TV
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QUARTERLY SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS REPORT
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to Viacom Inc., is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

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CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's medical reporter, Kellye Lynn, discusses health issues and interviews experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

HEALTH

HEALTHWATCH

Oct. 3: Eyewitness News reported world-renowned neurosurgeon Ben Carson traveled to India because he is considering another attempt to separate conjoined twins.

Oct. 4: Eyewitness News reported Dr. Ben Carson from Johns Hopkins has decided to operate on twins who are joined at the head.

Oct. 5: Eyewitness News reported that doctors at Johns Hopkins are praising the outcome of their kidney swap program.

Oct. 11: Eyewitness News reported that a study at the University of Maryland Medical Center revealed valuable information about the causes of chest pain.

Oct. 12: Eyewitness News talked to a local expert about a plan by Baltimore's mayor to make the city a vaccine production center to prevent the spread of the bird flu.

Oct. 13: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor at the University of Maryland Medical Center about the first approved inhaled insulin for diabetics.

Oct. 17: Eyewitness News reported that a drug used to treat lung cancer also provides a dose of hope to patients with pancreatic cancer.

Oct. 19: Eyewitness News reported that health experts are predicting there will be plenty of flu shots to go around this season.

Oct. 20: Eyewitness News reported that students in Carroll County were offered flu mist ahead of the flu season.

Oct. 24: Eyewitness News reported that starting today; the flu shot is available to everyone.

Oct. 27: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor at Union Memorial Hospital about new research that bolsters the benefits of mammography.

Oct. 28: As part of our continuing community commitment, WJZ-13 and Lifebridge health teamed up for "Ask the Expert."

Nov. 8: Eyewitness News reported a Maryland company developed a brace that gives patients with arthritis greater mobility.

Nov. 15: Eyewitness News a local doctor is helping color blind patients see clearly. Eyewitness News reported today is the first day for seniors and the disabled to enroll in Medicare's new prescription drug program.

Nov. 16: Eyewitness News reported a Johns Hopkins study found a diet that includes eating healthy carbs and adding protein or olive oil helps further reduce heart disease risks.

Nov. 17: Eyewitness News reported surgeons at Johns Hopkins Hospital performed an extremely rare nerve procedure.

Nov. 18: Eyewitness News reported did a follow-up story to the rare nerve transplant story.

Nov. 25: Eyewitness News reports researchers at Kennedy Krieger Institute are working to uncover the mystery behind Sturge-Weber Syndrome, a rare neurological disorder.

Dec. 1: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor on World Aids Day from Chase Brexton Health Services about the fight against AIDS, in particular in pediatric cases.

Dec. 7: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor at Union Memorial Hospital about what a hamstring injury actually is, and how one would go about treating a hamstring injury. This story was done as an educational tool in lieu of the Ray Lewis season-ending hamstring injury.

Dec 8: Eyewitness News talked to a bi-polar disorder expert at Sheppard Pratt hospital about why certain patients are so vulnerable to mental breakdowns.

Dec 13: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor and a woman allergic to cats and dogs about the utility of the hypoallergenic pet.

Dec. 19: Eyewitness News talked to members of Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital including a patient and doctor who have jumpstarted a creative new program that will tackle childhood obesity.

Dec 22: Eyewitness News talked to a Peruvian soldier who flew to Baltimore's Union Memorial Hospital after portions of his hands blew off to undergo an innovative transplant procedure surgery involving converting toes and index fingers to thumbs, etc.

Dec 23: Eyewitness News talked to a doctor about a new technique local physicians are using in pacemaker training. In essence they are using simulation training to learn how to insert defibrillators and pacemakers.

Dec. 30. Eyewitness News did a follow-up story on a Peruvian soldier who flew to Union Memorial Hospital to have dual thumb transplants.

ON TIME

October 2: Kai Jackson talks with Jeff Simpson, a Health and Safety Instructor Trainer with the American Red Cross, about preparing for disasters, making a first aid kit and basic first aid techniques on treating stings, bites, burns, etc. Mr. Simpson also demonstrated how to perform CPR – cardio pulmonary resuscitation.

October 9: Chef Cindy Wolf from Charleston Restaurant tells Kai Jackson that for Breast Cancer Awareness Month she's prepared a special night of dining at Charleston's Restaurant that will benefit Komen Maryland. As a breast cancer survivor, she feels it's important to help low income women have access to mammograms as a preventive measure.

October 16: Kai Jackson talks with Arnold Eppel and Sue Green from the Baltimore County Department of Aging about the new Medicare prescription program that goes into effect on January 1, 2006. The open enrollment begins November 15 through May 15, 2006. Arnold explains how difficult this program is and how his department is offering community seminars to explain the program intricacies.

October 16: Every 33 seconds someone dies from heart disease. Todd Langenberg from the American Heart Association and Marlene King, a heart attack survivor tell Kai Jackson that heart disease can be prevented. Marlene describes the symptoms that lead up to her heart attack at the age of 39. They advocate eating heart healthy foods and exercise as a way to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease. Information on heart disease is being given out at their upcoming Baltimore Heart Walk.

November 6: Kai Jackson talks with Senator Verna Jones and Tanwa Suma from the Alzheimer's Association about dementia in the African American community. Sen. Jones tells Kai that a disproportionate number of African Americans are affected with this illness and are less likely to get care for their family members suffering from this disease. They discuss an upcoming community forum targeting the African American community.

November 13: The March of Dimes is teaming up with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority to bring the message of prenatal care to women in African American churches. More African American babies are born preterm and have low birth weight than other ethnic groups. Tracy Hart and Charlene Ndi tell Kai Jackson that the prematurity problem causes long-term illnesses and affects everyone.

November 20: Kai Jackson talks to medical staff from Kennedy Krieger Institute about their comprehensive programs that treat children with traumatic brain injuries. Debbie Kupfer, whose son Ryan was severely injured in a car accident discussed his remarkable treatment and progress at Kennedy Krieger Institute.

November 20: TMJ is often misdiagnosed and as a consequence, patients endure unnecessary pain that can be corrected with custom-made devices that realign the jaw. Local Dentist Dr. Sims tells Kai Jackson how these devices work and can offer hope to thousands who suffer from headaches to hearing loss all because of a misaligned jaw.

November 27: Moveable Feast has expanded to serve nutritional meals to those living with HIV and AIDS but has also started to help women who are being treated for breast cancer. To support their mission, Vic Basile, the executive director of Moveable Feast tells Kai Jackson how he has involved the arts community. Ann Lesch, a designer, tells Kai how her Handbags for Hunger auction will support Moveable Feast clients.

December 11: Ann Louise Gittleman tells Kai Jackson that the symptoms of menopause can be managed naturally. Women should embrace the "change" and not fear it.

December 18: Kai Jackson talks with Mark Lynne and Arnold Eppel about the new Medicare drug benefit program for seniors and the disabled. They discuss how the program participants need to know what prescriptions they are presently taking and compare that to what is offered by the 47 options in the program.

EDUCATION

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story on special education teacher's aide at a Baltimore Middle School who allegedly sexually assaulted a 15 year old student.

October 5: Eyewitness News did a story on a shooting at Edmondson High School where one student was shot.

October 10: Eyewitness News did a story on a new report about the Baltimore city schools special education program, which found students are missing too much class time.

October 12: Eyewitness News did a story on Baltimore area teachers joining forces with state law enforcement officials, to curb school violence.

October 14: Eyewitness News did a story on NASA teaming up with a Baltimore school, so students can get hands-on experience with cutting edge science and technology.

October 25: Eyewitness News did a story on a new panel in Montgomery County that's been tasked to re-write the county's sex ed program.

November 2, 4, 9, 11 and December 20-22: Eyewitness News did a story on how a federal judge ruled that a Dover, Pennsylvania school violated the constitution. The school had ordered teachers to bring up intelligent design before teaching evolution.

November 9: Eyewitness News did a story on a survey in Anne Arundel county that found only 12 percent its residents think education is the county's biggest concern. They felt transportation and growth was more important.

November 11: Eyewitness News did a story on how 40 percent of Maryland's 10th graders failed the high school English test required for graduation.

November 15: Eyewitness News did a story on Baltimore Mayor O'Malley teaming up with the Save the Music program to donate \$250,000 to music programs in city schools.

November 17: Eyewitness News did a story on education week and how schools are opening their doors to get more people to visit public schools.

November 22: Eyewitness News did a story on how two Midshipmen from the Naval Academy were selected as Rhodes Scholars.

November 24: Eyewitness News did a story about how students at a Gaithersburg Elementary School read to a dog to improve their reading skills.

November 28: Eyewitness News did a story on how Maryland Public School students will be the first in the country to intensely study African American Culture.

December 7: Eyewitness News did a story on how the state of Maryland rejected Baltimore city's master plan to improve city schools.

December 8: Eyewitness News did a story on a plan that would require building repairs at each of the University of Maryland's 11 campuses.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on how the "No Child Left Behind Act" is changing special education standards in Howard County.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on a former special education teacher charged with assaulting a student was acquitted of all charges.

December 23: Eyewitness News did a story on more than a dozen students who overcame incredible odds to graduate from vocational training school.

December 26: Eyewitness News did a story on a Towson Teacher that was selected as a finalist for a national education award.

December 26: Eyewitness News did a story on the Baltimore city school Board approving more than a million dollars for legal fees. Most of the money will be used to fight a longstanding special education lawsuit.

ON TIME

October 9: Kai Jackson talks with Baltimore City Schools CEO Dr. Bonnie Copeland about proposed changes to close schools. She tells Kai that this is an opportunity to operate more efficiently and effectively. The school system is sponsoring a series of community forums to solicit input as to what schools to close. The schools have a declining student population and their buildings are the oldest in the state.

November 6: Surviving disasters requires the cooperation of individuals and government agencies working together. Richard Muth, the director of the Baltimore County Emergency Management tells Kai how people need to help themselves in emergencies by having disaster kits that provide a 3-days worth of food, water and medicine. He suggests that all families have battery-operated radios that can communicate security warnings during times of disasters.

November 13: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Raymond Winbush about his book, "The Warrior Method: A Program for Rearing Healthy Black Boys." This book offers suggestions on how to counter all the negative images of African American males that dominate the media.

ART & CULTURE

October 1: Eyewitness News profiled the Taste of Baltimore, a cuisine sampling by various restaurants held at Camden Yards.

October 4: Eyewitness News covered a story on the German community's Oktober Fest.

October 5: Eyewitness News covered the fall festival at Cylburn Arboretum as part of a People Are Talking live segment.

October 5: Eyewitness News reported on Baltimore's artists' studio tour where the public is invited to see the artists at work and can purchase artwork.

October 6: As part of the live People Are Talking segment, Eyewitness News covered the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Art's Columbus Day Parade.

October 7: Eyewitness News in the People Are Talking segment covered Barctober Fest, a fundraising event for the local humane society.

October 10: Eyewitness News interviewed country singer and author Wynona Judd for Coffee With.

October 13: As part of Coffee With, Eyewitness News interviewed author Steven Shaw. For People Are Talking, members of the Shakespeare Festival were interviewed.

October 14: Eyewitness News interviews author Larry Kane on Coffee With.

October 17: Eyewitness News interviews Musician Rick Braun as part of Coffee With.

October 18: Eyewitness News covered Zoo Boo, a Halloween event at the Maryland Zoo.

October 21: Eyewitness News covered a new exhibit opening at the Walters Museum.

October 24: Eyewitness News reported on the historic Baltimore sites that receive cultural heritage tourism grants to further develop their programs.

October 25: Eyewitness News interviews actors Kurt Russell and Dakota Fanning as part of Coffee With.

October 28: Eyewitness News features Baltimore actor Lance Reddick from the HBO series "The Wire" on Coffee With.

October 31: Eyewitness News interviews the author of "Lemony Snicket" on Coffee With.

November 25-27: Eyewitness News covered Kennedy Krieger Institute's Festival of Trees being held at the Timonium Fairgrounds.

November 25: Eyewitness News profiled the 10th anniversary of the American Visionary Art Museum.

ON TIME

December 4: Kai Jackson talks with Leslie Doggett, the president and CEO of the Baltimore Area Convention and Visitors Association about their plans to reposition Baltimore in an effort to attract more visitors. Tourism brings in three billion dollars a year and employs 61,000 people in the metro area. With the construction of a convention hotel, tourism officials are optimistic that this will increase the number of conventions being held in Baltimore.

December 4: Holiday Sing! is a free event at the France Merrick Performing Arts Center that features over 40 choirs and choruses singing holiday favorites. Although the event is free, Cheryl Goodman tells Kai Jackson that the public is being asked to bring a canned goods or new toys as a donation.

December 11: Kai Jackson talks with Susan Roth about the programs that her agency, LifeLines provides to the Native American community living in Baltimore. This underserved population needs dental care to substance abuse programs.

December 11: One place to get unique, one of a kind gifts is at the Baltimore Museum of Art Shop. Kai Jackson talks with Deana Karras about items in the shop that tie into art.

December 18: The Baltimore Museum of Art is offering a free Kwanzaa Celebration and program participants tell Kai Jackson how the holiday came about. They discuss the meaning and principals of Kwanzaa. They also discuss the exhibition featuring the painting by Henry Ossawa Tanner, an African American artist.

December 25: Bill Myers and students from Maryland Sings give Kai Jackson a sample of some of the songs they will be performing at upcoming concerts.

COMMUNITY

October 18: Eyewitness News covered the American Red Cross' Annual Meeting where both WJZ-TV and Infinity Radio Stations were presented with Presidential Awards for Hurricane Katrina fundraising efforts.

November 23: Eyewitness News covered the state's child adoption holiday program.

November 23: Eyewitness News covered the annual Thanksgiving Dinner held for the homeless by Goodwill Industries.

November 24: Eyewitness News reported on the Bea Gaddy Thanksgiving Dinner held in East Baltimore for low income city residents.

November 30: Eyewitness News covered the Parade of Lights in the People Are Talking live segment.

December 1: Eyewitness News covered the festive lighting of Baltimore's Washington Monument.

December 1: WJZ sponsored the Baltimore Marketing Association's Annual Business Awards Dinner honoring local African American entrepreneurs.

December 12-25: Eyewitness News profiled decorated homes in the "Chopper Lights" segment.

December 19-25: Eyewitness News began displaying photos of decorated trees and ornaments submitted by viewers.

ON TIME

October 16: The Leon Day Foundation, formed in honor of the late great pitcher from the Negro Baseball League, is holding their second annual unsung heroes banquet. This event raises money for their athletic and education programs.

November 6: The Associated Black Charities is celebrating 20 years of service to the Maryland Community. Kai Jackson talks with Barbara Blount Armstrong about how the organization has levied funds for grassroots programs that impact the lives of African Americans. ABC has expanded from helping groups in Baltimore City to those in PG and the Eastern Shore.

November 13: Kai Jackson talks with members of the Baltimore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce about the expanding number of Latino owned businesses in the city. They discuss the purpose of their organization and the upcoming business conference that is open to all.

November 20: Marquis Boone is not your typical 17 year old. At an early age, he was called to the ministry and now has written a book to guide young people. He tells Kai Jackson how he overcame obstacles in his life to achieve his dreams.

November 27: Kai Jackson talks with Mark Sissman, president of Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc. and Roy Miller, the housing ownership coordinator for Belair Edison Neighborhood, Inc. about a new program that's making thirty-eight million dollars available to homeowners in ten communities designated in the Healthy Neighborhoods program. They discuss how these funds will be used to revitalize several of the city's older yet stable neighborhoods.

November 27: The Baltimore Marketing Association is honoring Dr. Tyrone Taborn at their upcoming business awards dinner. Ackneil Muldrow II, chairman of the organization and Dr. Taborn discuss the role of the BMA in today's society and how more African American business owners are needed to level out the playing field.

December 4: More and more people need assistance with food and not just during the holidays. Demand at food shelters is up 17% according to the organizers of A Can Can Make A Difference. They tell Kai Jackson how they are able to get donations of large quantities of food and then transport it to over 130 food shelters in the area. There is a need for financial contributions and volunteers to keep the program running.

December 18: Dr. Carla Hayden, director of the Enoch Pratt Free Library discusses giving children's books as gifts this holiday. She tells Kai Jackson what to look for when selecting books for children.

December 25: Kai Jackson talks with Christopher McCabe, the secretary for the Maryland Department of Human Resources and Jennifer Bishop, the organizer of the Heart Gallery about children who are eligible for adoption and are featured in a photographic exhibit.

December 25: Heating costs are significantly rising this winter season. Kai Jackson talks with the director of the Fuel Fund of Maryland about the need for more donations for their program that provides fuel grants to low-income families.

CONSUMER ISSUES

October 3: Eyewitness News reports on supermarkets are going the extra mile to lure customers. They are using everything from cheese tastings, coffee shops , sushi bars and restaurants to get more customers in the door.

October 3: Eyewitness News reports on streaming video and music downloads have made high speed Internet more popular. 40 % of adults who use the Internet now have broadband service.

October 4: Eyewitness News reports on hurricane victims filing for bankruptcy in Louisiana and Mississippi are getting a break from Uncle Sam.

October 10: Eyewitness News reports on Yahoo launching the latest craze in digital media with a new search engine for podcasts.

October 12: Eyewitness News reports that heating costs this winter will hit consumers in the pocketbook.

October 12: Eyewitness News reports on clothes dryers are blamed for more than 15 thousand house fires each year.

October 12: Eyewitness News reports that Apple is unveiling a new ipod, this one will play video.

October 12: Eyewitness News reports that energy companies fear rising costs that will result in many low income families choosing between heating their homes or feeding their families. Gas companies say customers will

pay 50 % more this year than last.

October 14: Eyewitness News reports that Toyota is recalling its most popular hybrid, Prius. Approximately 160 thousand vehicles made between August 2003 and February 2005 are being recalled because of a glitch that could cause the engine to shut down.

October 14: Eyewitness News reports that in an effort to off-set rising fuel prices many homeowners are using alternative heating sources like wood burning fireplaces.

October 19: Eyewitness News reports on a city retail study that finds that opening a business in Baltimore City could make a lot of dollars and sense.

October 24: Eyewitness News reports that experts say to expect more Spam in your email box this holiday season. The amount of Spam could double as retailers try to reach holiday shoppers.

October 25: Eyewitness News reports on the path of Hurricane Wilma spared oil refineries and that means drivers are spared another jump in prices at the pump.

October 26: Eyewitness News reports that the IRS says 73 million dollars sent to taxpayers didn't reach them This year a new online service has been set-up to help taxpayers look for their missing refund checks.

October 27: Eyewitness News reports that the rising cost of candle wax and energy is the reason Yankee Candle says its closing 20 stores around the country.

October 27: Eyewitness News reports that automakers say we'll see more blue cars in the next four years along with more dramatic shades like watery blues and smoky lilacs.

November 1: Eyewitness News reports on a dangerous new virus is spreading thru AOL's instant messenger network. experts say the virus allows hackers to install anything they want on infected computers.

November 1: Eyewitness News reports that the postal service is encouraging customers to ship and mail packages early this holiday season.

November 1: Eyewitness News reports that Fords will soon offer wireless service on its F series pick-up trucks.. the trucks are geared for contractors, and others who do business on the road. They'll offer wireless computer, printers and GPS systems.

November 3: Eyewitness News reports that the first batch of entire books go online at the Google library . Google wants to create digital versions of millions of books from the NY public libraries and the libraries Stanford, Harvard, Oxford & the University of Michigan.

November 3: Eyewitness News reports that 40 tons of hamburger patties are being called because of possible ecoli contamination.

November 4: Eyewitness News reports on a new infrared carbon monoxide device can detect even the slightest c-o leak.

November 10: Eyewitness News reports that 25 thousand Honda Civics, 2006 models are being recalled because of a problem with the accelerator pedal.

November 14: Eyewitness News reports on GM's incentive program for most of its, Buick, GMC, Pontiac and Chevrolet brand cars and trucks.

November 14: Eyewitness News reports on anew technology, where customers use their fingerprints to make purchases. Fingerprints are stored along with information from your checking account.

November 15: Eyewitness News reports that first class stamp will be increasing from 37 to 39 cents. Changes go in affect January 8, 2006.

November 17: Eyewitness News reports that prices for Christmas trees will increase this year.

November 18: Eyewitness News reports that a consumer watchdog group announces its list of the most harmful toys.

November 22: Eyewitness News reports that Motor Trend magazine picks the 2006 Honda Civic as its car of the year.

November 22: Eyewitness News reports that Google is launching its Froogle shopping site today

November 23: Eyewitness News reports that the FDA is recalling Dutch Taste Potato bread because it may contain wheat and dairy products.

November 25: Eyewitness News reports that the US Chamber of Commerce wants to tax hybrid car owners, saying hybrid owners should their fair share for repair of potholes and bridges regardless of the amount and kind of fuel they use.

November 26: Eyewitness News reports on the Black Friday shopping blitz in Baltimore.

November 29: Eyewitness News takes a look at cyber shopping for the holidays.

November 30: Eyewitness News reports that 6 million personalized children's necklaces and zipper pulls are being recalled because of high lead levels.

December 1: Eyewitness News reports that over the next 3 years, McCormick will cut its workforce worldwide.

December 2: Eyewitness News reports that using a bank machine, where you don't have an account will cost you twice for a single withdrawal - once by the other banks ATM and then by your own bank.

December 2: Eyewitness News reports that Toyota takes on GM to become the world's largest automaker.

December 5: Eyewitness News reports that he Insurance Institute for Highway Safety announces its 2006 car safety awards. Ford, Mercury, Saab, Subaru and Honda are among the top 10 passenger cars to offer the best protection during crashes.

December 6: Eyewitness News reports that a growing number of Americans are using wood burning stoves. Potential safety hazards are examined.

December 6: Eyewitness News reports that Coca Cola plans to begin selling three new coffee drinks.

December 8: Eyewitness News reports on that the cost of satellite radio is dropping. The prices for some radios are now half of what they were a year ago.

December 8: Eyewitness News reports on a new study that reveals that 7 in 10 people who get phony emails think they are legitimate.

December 11: Eyewitness News reports that Baltimore is launching a new campaign to get people to shop in the city's ten historic districts.

December 12: Eyewitness News offers tips on how to avoid purchasing counterfeit CD's and DVD's.

December 13: Eyewitness News reports that Comcast is now offering Internet telephone service.

December 14: Eyewitness News reports that Internet sales are up this holiday season.

December 14: Eyewitness News reports that the Baltimore Health Department is warning store owners about candy that contains lead.

December 15: Eyewitness News reports that this season's hottest toys are in short supply including xbox 360.,

Amazing Amanda dolls, Dora's talking kitchen and the I-dog.

December 21: Eyewitness News reports that Ebay cancels its plans to sell live pets.

December 21: Eyewitness News reports that two lawmakers are asking the FCC to review the rules on the sale and redemption of gift cards.

December 23: Eyewitness News reports that some stores including Sears will charge customers a 15 percent restocking fee on returns of opened electronics and home appliances.

December 26: Eyewitness News reports on consumer returns and holiday shopping overview.

December 26: Eyewitness News reports that the National Retail Federation estimates consumers spent 18 and a half billion on gift cards this holiday season.

December 26: Eyewitness News reports that the Bank of America is taking over MBNA America.

December 26: Eyewitness News reports that Comcast launching a new family tier package that will include 16 channels including Nickelodeon and Discovery Kids.

December 29: Eyewitness News reports that as Americans get larger and larger, the auto industry is now making seats in cars and SUV's larger.

ON TIME

October 9: Sharon Goldsmith tells Kai Jackson how the Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland solicits lawyers to volunteer to work with low-income clients on a variety of civil cases. The Pro Bono Resource Center provides training to volunteer lawyers and matches them to clients who need help.